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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Q. Liu *et al.*

Application No.: 09/990,186

Filed: November 20, 2001

For: POSITION DEPENDENT RECOGNITION
OF GNN NUCLEOTIDE TRIPLETS BY
ZINC FINGERS

Examiner: Ethan Whisenant

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated June 29, 2005, for which a Response is due on or before September 29, 2005. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed and no fee is believed to be due in connection with its filing. Inasmuch as this response is filed within two months of the date of the Office Action (i.e., by August 29, 2005), **Expedited Procedure after Final** is requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.